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In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 41.31(a)(1), Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeal and Interferences from the decision dated June 15, 2009 of the Examiner rejecting claims 17-33 of the above-identified patent application.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge \$540.00 to pay the Notice of Appeal fee under 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(1) to Deposit account No. 13-2546. If any additional fee is required, or any overpayment credited in connection with this paper, please charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 13-2546.

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